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TIBRS CLASSES

As a precaution to the outbreak of the Corona-virus, The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation's TIBRS Unit has cancelled the following classes:

Tuesday, March 17:

Introduction to Data Collection

Wednesday, March 18:

TNCOP Software

Thursday, March 19:

RAC Orientation/CrimeInsight

Wednesday, March 25:

TIBRS Review

All three classes will be rescheduled in the coming weeks, so please be on the lookout for announcements in TIBRS Newsletters and listserv messages! All of the rescheduled classes will be taught at TBI Headquarters.

Thank you, and we apologize for any inconvenience.



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COMMON QC EXCEPTIONS AND HOW TO CORRECT THEM

QC issue 1: Drug Measurement Type 'Du' Dosage unit is being used for crack, cocaine or marijuana. Usually a weight measurement like gram, kilogram, ounce or pound is used. The 'NP' number of plants is sometimes used for marijuana.

Correction: Marijuana derivatives, such as edibles, should be entered with the approximate weight (OZ, GM, etc.) not dosage unit (DU). Dosage Unit makes more sense, but if you select DU the incident will error out.

QC issue 2: Offender age presented with a wide range (≥ 11 yrs.). Please confirm that the offender age range cannot be narrowed.

Correction: If possible, change the age range to ≤ 5 years, but we realize that you are sometimes limited by witness statements.

QC issue 3: An exceptional clearance requires known information to be entered for age, race, sex, ethnicity and known location of at least one offender in the incident.

Correction: Remove any exceptional clearance type if you do not have age, race, sex, ethnicity and known location of at least one offender in the incident.

QC issue 4: The incident contains either multiple larceny offenses or both a larceny and a burglary offense. Please review the incidents to ensure that multiple offenses are valid. The occurrence of an incident with multiple larceny offenses or a larceny and a burglary offense should be unusual.

Correction: If your incident is a burglary, remove the theft from a building offense. You don't want to double your offense count, if it's unnecessary.

QC issue 5: Please confirm that the victim age is unknown.

Correction: If you have a known age for your victim, please enter it.

Bonus Question: In TIBRS, what is the difference between a QC issue and an error?

You'll find the answer at the bottom of Page 8.



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TIPS ON REPORTING LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE PART 1

Failure to Appear (FTA), Violation of Probation/Parole (VOP) Warrants Served by Another County

When an offender is apprehended outside the county where the FTA or VOP was issued, the latitude and longitude should reflect the court where the paperwork was issued. It should not be where the individual was apprehended.

Here's an example:

A Failure to Appear (FTA) warrant was issued by Williamson County Criminal Court for an offender. Based on the warrant, the individual is arrested by Polk County Sheriff's Office. Williamson County Sheriff's Office travels to Polk County SO, picks up the individual, and transports him back to Williamson County. The latitude and longitude is to reflect the Williamson County court where the FTA was issued, not where the individual was apprehended in Polk County. In this case, the correct latitude and longitude for TIBRS is:

35.91584

-86.88383

For TIBRS, Williamson County Sheriff's Office would report the incident (Group B, All Other Offenses) and the arrest.



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TIBRS TRAINING SLIDE OF THE MONTH

When entering a Credit Card/ATM Fraud, agencies are entering Credit/Debit Card as the property for this offense. The property for the Credit Card/ATM Fraud is going to be the property that was obtained by the fraudulent use of the card. Credit Card/ATM Fraud refers to the use of the card, not the theft of the card, which would be reported in a separate incident.

FRAUD
CREDIT CARD/ATM

KEY POINT

A Credit Card/ATM Fraud incident cannot have "Credit/Debit Card" in the property segment.
If it is included in the property segment, it will generate a QC issue.



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TIBRS TRAINING SCHEDULE

March 2020		
Tuesday, March 17 th	CANCELLED! Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters CANCELLED!
Wednesday, March 18 th	CANCELLED! TnCOP Software	TBI Headquarters CANCELLED!
Thursday, March 19 th	CANCELLED! RAC Orientation/CrimeInsight	TBI Headquarters CANCELLED!
Wednesday, March 25 th	CANCELLED! TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters CANCELLED!
April 2020		
Tuesday, April 14 th	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters
Wednesday, April 15 th	TnCOP Software	TBI Headquarters
Thursday, April 16 th	TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters
May 2020		
Tuesday, May 5 th	Introduction to Data Collection	Jackson, TN
Wednesday, May 6 th	TIBRS Review	Jackson, TN
Tuesday, May 19 th	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters
Wednesday, May 20 th	TnCOP Software	TBI Headquarters
Thursday, May 21 st	RAC Orientation/CrimeInsight	TBI Headquarters
Wednesday, May 27 th	TIBRS Overview & Report Writing	TBI Headquarters
Thursday, May 28 th	TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters

SIGNING UP FOR TIBRS TRAINING

TIBRS Overview & Report Writing is a beneficial class for officers and supervisors that need a better understanding of TIBRS. This class is P.O.S.T. certified for 8 hours.

RAC Orientation/CrimeInsight does not count toward initial or recertification training requirements for RACs and Alternate RACs.

However, due to the many advantages of using CrimeInsight, such as Mapping and details on how to run and build reports, we highly recommend that RACs and Alternate RACs attend this class!

If you have questions concerning TIBRS classes, or would like to sign up for a class please contact:

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Bradley	Fentress	Hawkins	McMinn	Polk	Sullivan	
Campbell	Grainger	Jefferson	Meigs	Rhea	Unicoi	
Carter	Greene	Johnson	Monroe	Roane	Union	

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Cannon	Jackson	Robertson	Williamson
Cheatham	Lincoln	Rutherford	Wilson
Clay	Macon	Smith	
Coffee	Marshall	Sumner	
Davidson	Maury	Trousdale	
DeKalb	Moore	Van Buren	
Franklin	Morristown PD	Warren	

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Dickson	Henderson	Lewis	Tipton
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Get Involved With the TIBRS User Group!

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Bonus Question: In TIBRS, what is the difference between a QC issue and an error?

Answer:

A **QC issue** is an incident that is flagged by the system because it **may be incorrect**. Example: A Theft From a Vehicle incident was flagged because the RAC entered Aircraft as the property type. The QC issue is based on NIBRS logic that it is highly improbable that an aircraft was stolen from an automobile. We're just double-checking. Is this entry correct? In this case, the aircraft was a hang glider. The RAC just needs to review the incident and let us know the entry is valid. In this example, there is nothing to correct.

An **Error** is just exactly as it sounds. Something in an incident **is incorrect**. Not maybe, definitely, and it must be corrected. Example: A Weapon Law Violation incident generated an error because victim was entered as Individual. In a WLV, the victim type must be Society. The incident must be corrected and resubmitted.

